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__BEIJING __XINHUA IN __ENGLISH 1003 __GMT 28 __JUL 87

((TEXT)) ISLAMABAD, JULY 28 (XINHUA) -- PAKISTAN ARMY HAS TAKEN CONTROL OF KURRAM AGENCY, NORTHWEST FRONTIER PROVINCE, FOLLOWING SECTARIAN CLASHES BETWEEN SUNHI AND SHIA TRIBES THERE FOR THE PAST THREE DAYS, OFFICIAL SOURCES SAID HERE TODAY.

THE SECTARIAN CLASHES HAD SPREAD TO ABOUT 10 VILLAGES IN THE AGENCY, WITH SOME 30 PEOPLE KILLED AND 60 OTHERS WOUNDED. TWO VILLAGES HAVE BEEN COMPLETELY DESTROYED AND SOME OTHERS SET ON FIRE, FORCING PEOPLE TO TAKE REFUGE IN THE NEARBY HILLS.

MEANWHILE, CURFEW HAS BEEN IMPOSED ON PARACHINAR, HEADQUARTERS OF KURRAM AGENCY. TROOPS ARE PATROLLING IN THE STREETS AND MANNING IMPORTANT INSTALLATIONS AND BUILDING. ALL THE ROADS LEADING TO THE AGENCY HAVE BEEN CLOSED.

REPORTS REACHING HERE SAID THAT THE KABUL REGIME, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE CONFUSION AND PANIC, HAS DESPATCHED A LARGE NUMBER OF ARMS TO THE AGENCY TO INTENSIFY THE SECTARIAN CLASHES.

AGENTS OF THE AFGHAN SECRET POLICE HAVE ALSO BEEN SENT TO ATTACK AFGHAN REFUGEE CAMPS IN THE AREA.

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